

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-07-29**

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For Work Week Commencing: July 28, 2014

Commission Meeting: July 29, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of July 21, 2014

2. Citizens Telecommunications N2014.7.62 (Scott)

On June 30, 2014, Citizens Telecommunications requested to introduce Frontier Emergency Connect Service. Frontier Emergency Connect Service is a limited service that allows calls to be placed to 911 only. Probable Motion: Approve Citizens Telecommunications request in N2014.7.62.

3. Glacier Point Water and Sewer, LLC D2014.6.57 (Leroy)

On June 26, 2014, Glacier Point Water and Sewer (Glacier Point) submitted its application for initial rates under the Simplified Regulatory Treatment Options for small water and sewer companies. Glacier Point elected to use the Standard Rate Tariff outlined in ARM 38.5.2528. In order to minimize rate shock to its customers, Glacier Point is proposing to phase in its rates over an approximate 2 year period. It is proposing rates beginning August 1, 2014 of \$30.00 for water and \$30.00 for sewer. The rate for water will increase \$5.00 per month on January 1, 2015, July 1, 2015, January 1, 2016, and lastly on July 1, 2016. The rates will then be at the Commission standard rates of \$50.00 per month for water and \$30 per month for sewer. Staff recommends adoption of the standard rates for Glacier Point Water and Sewer, LLC.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2014.6.51 - Phillips 66 Pipeline - Tariff Changes - Discuss/act on Default Order. (7/29/14)
2. D2014.4.43 - NorthWestern Energy - NorthWestern's Petition to Set Contract Terms and Conditions for Greenfield Wind, LLC - Discuss/act on identifying additional issues, if any. (7/29/14)
3. Communications Director Position Vacancy - Discuss/act on the Communications Director vacancy. (7/29/14)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

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1. Indian Springs Ranch Water and Sewer, LLC N2014.7.66 (Leroy)

On July 14, 2014, Indian Springs Ranch Water and Sewer (Indian Springs) submitted its application for initial rates under the Simplified Regulatory Treatment Options for small water and sewer companies. Indian Springs elected to use the Standard Rate Tariff outlined in ARM 38.5.2528. Indian Springs is proposing a flat charge of \$50.00 per month for Non-Metered Residential Customers, a monthly Metered Commercial (non-irrigation) Customer rate of \$40.00 per connection with a \$2.00 per 1,000 commodity charge for usage in excess of 10,000 gallons, a monthly Metered Commercial (irrigation) charge of \$40.00 plus a usage rate of \$0.40 per 1,000 gallons for customer usage in excess of 10,000 gallons. A flat \$30.00 per connection per month charge will be charged for sewer service.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

1. Citizen Telecommunications Company of Montana d/b/a Frontier
Communications of Montana N2014.4.45 (Laura)

On June 25, 2014, Frontier filed a Motion for a Protective Order to protect from disclosure documents and worksheets supporting Frontier's FCC Form 481 Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

1. **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (Qwest) Multi State and Individual Case Basis Agreements**
Any qualified person who signs a non-disclosure agreement pursuant to the term protective Order No. 6999 in Docket No. D2009.5.60 may review the following agreements at the Commission's offices, 1701 Prospect Ave. Helena, MT, 59620, or at Qwest's office, 441 North Park Avenue, Helena, Mt. 59601. If any interested party has reason to believe that Qwest's prices are below relevant costs in the agreements, the interested party may file an objection with the Commission within 30 days of the date of this notice (please see Qwest Alternative Form of Regulation (AFOR) Docket No. D2008.1.3, Order No. 6889n, Joint Stipulation).
 - a) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Bank of Bozeman** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Bank of Bozeman.
 - b) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Benefis Health Care** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Benefis Health Care.
 - c) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Montana Federal Credit Union** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Montana Federal Credit Union.
 - d) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Dakota Supply Group** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Dakota Supply Group.
 - e) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Murdoch's Ranch and Home Supply** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Murdoch's Ranch and Home Supply.
 - f) **Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink (Qwest) and Crescent Electric Supply Co.** have signed a Multi-State Agreement for Qwest to provide certain telecommunications services to Crescent Electric Supply Co.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2014.7.63 – Energy West Montana - Application to Make Interim Adjustments Final and to Reconcile Under-Collection of Gas Costs by Increasing Rates by \$138,464

D2014.7.65 – Energy West Montana - Application for Approval of Reconciliation of Collections and Disbursements from Universal Systems Benefits Account

N2014.7.66 - Indian Springs Ranch Water and Sewer, LLC - Application to adopt the Standard Rates for non-metered residential customers, and metered commercial customers